

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. Gherla has a population of 7,500 inhabitants, composed of 40 per cent Rumanians and 60 per cent Hungarians and Armenians who claim to be Hungarians. Although Armenians were given an opportunity of repatriation to the Armenian Soviet Republic, none made use of the offer. There is friction between Hungarians and Rumanians.
2. Many political prisoners are detained in the large citadel prison of Gherla. Prisoners are taken there only at night.
3. In 1949-50 there was fighting with partisans in the woods near Gherla. Twelve partisans were killed and several wounded, all of them Rumanians. Nothing further has been heard of partisans in this area since then.
4. There are four Clujul State Stores in Gherla, selling textiles, shoes, cosmetics, drugs, et cetera. In 1951 the manager of the textile branch of one of the Clujul stores was arrested for selling goods intended for the general public to favored customers. He was interrogated for three weeks by Solomon Alexandru, a militia lieutenant, but was released as members of the Gherla Party, Securitate, and Militia were involved. It was disclosed later that the store manager had habitually notified Party Secretary Toth, Militia Lieutenant Debreczeny, head of the Securitate Lieutenant Bunea, and Securitate Lieutenant Russe when good quality supplies arrived in Cluj, and these persons were able to buy them before they were on general sale.
5. The following personalities are known:
  - a. Solomon Alexandru, Militia Lieutenant at Cluj.
  - b. Toth, Party Secretary at Gherla.

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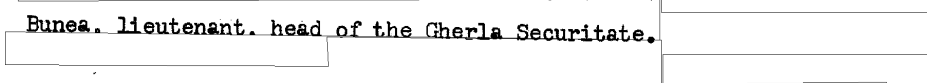
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c. Debreczeny. Militia Lieutenant.

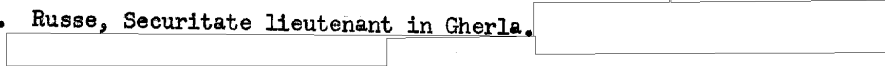


d. Bunea. lieutenant. head of the Gherla Securitate.



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e. Russe, Securitate lieutenant in Gherla.



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